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In re Patent Application of:

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SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE AND A

SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE

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FIRST PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

MS Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

Prior to examination on the merits, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 3 of this paper.

Amendments to the Abstract begin on page 6 of this paper.

Amendments to the Explanation of References begin on page 7 of this paper.

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